

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

James R. Thompson Center
IDHS – Murdock Room
100 W. Randolph Street, Suite 5-300
Chicago, Illinois 60601

Meeting of Panel D
December 12, 2012
10:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Present:

Commissioners	Rozanne Ronen Nabi Fakroddin Merri Dee
Staff	Donyelle L. Gray Evelio Mora Christine Welninski
Public	None

I. Call to Order.

A meeting of Human Rights Commission Panel D was called to order on December 12, 2012, at 12:39 p.m. by Panel Chair Rozanne Ronen. The 10:00 a.m. start time of the Panel D was delayed due to a Commissioner experiencing an unexpected train delay. The Panel D meeting commenced following the end of the previously scheduled 11:00 a.m. Commission *en banc* meeting.

Pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq., it was determined that:

1) A quorum of the public body was present at the meeting.

II. Consideration of Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting of September 12, 2012, were approved as submitted by staff. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

III. Contested Matter

Diana T. Porterfield v. Swedish American Hospital
Charge No.: 2005CF2061 ALS No.: 08-0465

Pending before the Panel were the Complainant's exceptions to the ALJ's Recommended Order and Decision ("ROD"). The Panel voted to accept review of the ROD. The Panel voted to grant review and reject the recommendation of summary decision for the Respondent, and voted to reverse and remand the matter to the Administrative Law Judge for a public hearing

on both counts of the Complaint. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Ronen. Motion carried 3-0.

IV. Requests for Review

A. Sharon Jones v. Walgreen Company

Charge No.: 2010CF3565

ALS No.: 11-0372

The Panel sustained the dismissal of the charge in the above-referenced matter for Lack of Substantial Evidence. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

B. Abelardo Valdez, Jr. v. Central Grocers Cooperative Inc.

Charge No.: 2010CF2179

ALS No.: 11-0373

The Panel sustained the dismissal of the charge in the above-referenced matter for Lack of Substantial Evidence. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

C. Archelle D. Collins v. Cook County Recorder of Deeds

Charge No.: 2010CF1164

ALS No.: 11-0376

The Panel sustained the dismissal of Count A of the charge in the above-referenced matter for Lack of Substantial Evidence. The Department of Human Rights had already found Substantial Evidence as to Count B of the charge; thus, Count B was not before the Commission on this Request. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

D. Colette Henderson v. RMC Enterprises, LLC

Charge No.: 2010CP3367

ALS No.: 11-0378

The Panel sustained the dismissal of the charge in the above-referenced matter for Failure to Proceed. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

E. Denise Brunson v. The Finger Companies

Charge No.: 2010CH1686

ALS No.: 11-0381

The Panel sustained the dismissal of the charge in the above-referenced matter for Lack of Substantial Evidence. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

F. Alfred M. Ikedinma v. Standard Parking Corp.

Charge No.: 2010CF3834

ALS No.: 11-0384

The Panel sustained the dismissal of the charge in the above-referenced matter for Lack of Substantial Evidence. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

G. *Dorothy Amos v. DSC Logistics, Inc.*

Charge No.: 2010CF3447 ALS No.: 11-0396

The Panel sustained the dismissal of the charge in the above-referenced matter for Lack of Substantial Evidence. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

H. *Dorothy Amos v. Jim Fink*

Charge No.: 2010CN3449 ALS No.: 11-0397

The Panel sustained the dismissal of the charge in the above-referenced matter for Lack of Substantial Evidence. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

I. *George Blakemore v. Metropolitan Water Reclamation District*

Charge No.: 2010CP3199 ALS No.: 11-0399

The Panel sustained the dismissal of the charge in the above-referenced matter for Lack of Substantial Evidence. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

J. *Sonia Alfiscar v. Mount Sinai Hospital*

Charge No.: 2010CF3764 ALS No.: 11-0400

The Panel sustained the dismissal of the charge in the above-referenced matter for Lack of Substantial Evidence. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

V. Motion to Enforce Recommended Order and Decision

Danny Martin v. Earl Scheib, Inc.

Charge No.: 2008CN4003 ALS No.: 10-0119

The Panel voted to GRANT the Motion. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

VI. Motion for Leave to Withdraw as Counsel

Theresa G. Didonna v. Thatcher Woods Associates, Ltd.

Charge No.: 2006CA3112 ALS No.: 07-651

The Panel voted to GRANT the Motion. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

VII. Settlements

DHR#	Complainant	Respondent
1. 2012SH2664	Metropolitan St. Louis Housing	Barton Land Company d/b/a Crownpoint
2. 2012CH3843	D. Watkins	Urban Innovations, Ltd.
3. 2013CH0348	A. Pipitone	1. Schein Property Management, et al.
4. 2013CH0074	J. Garnica	1. Bruce Wascher, Realtor 2. Re/Max
5. 2012CH3673	HOPE Fair Housing Center	R. Orlandi
6. 2012CN1234	A. Brito	Fogata Village
7. 2012CN1235	A. Brito	A. Bahena
8. 2012CF0258	J. Love	Tender Car

The Panel voted to approve settlements # 1 and #s 3 through 8. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

The Panel voted to decline to approve settlement #2 (*D. Watkins*) because the Complainant submitted further documentation to the Commission that raised an issue as to whether the settlement had been knowingly and voluntarily entered into by her. The Panel voted to remand settlement #2 to the Department of Human Rights so that the Department may resolve and clarify this issue. Motion made by Commissioner Ronen, seconded by Commissioner Nabi. Motion carried 3-0.

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:04 p.m. Motion made by Commissioner Nabi, seconded by Commissioner Dee. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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General Counsel